

COUNTRY East Germany

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TOPIC Stendal-Borstel Airfield

EVALUATION 25X1

PLACE OBTAINED

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DATE OF CONTENT 22 October to 14 November 1952

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REFERENCES

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- 25X1 1. Between 22 and 31 October 1952, radio truck [] with a rod antenna, 25X1
about 7 meters high, regularly moved to the landing field of Stendal-Borstel
airfield during air activity.
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3. The barbed wire fence, about 2.5 meters high, was completed around the field.
Five large containers, each with a capacity of about 30,000 liters, were
observed at the fuel dump near the woods on the western edge of the field.
- 25X1 4. []
5. Between 6 and 14 November, the new barracks installation in the area of the
former parachute camp, just east of the Stendal-Borstel road, was occupied
by about 500 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets including some
with artillery insignia. No training activity was observed. No hangars or
sheds serving as storage facilities for motor vehicles or guns were observed
in the barracks area. []
- 25X1 6. Between 8 and 12 November, the canvas-covered IL-10s were still parked in front
25X1 of the hangars. The shrapnelproof aircraft revetments which were recently
25X1 built around the field were not yet occupied by aircraft. No aircraft
activity was observed.
7. A radio installation with four masts, each about 8 meters high, and a single-
axle radio truck in the middle of the square of masts was observed on the
eastern edge of the field. The installation was guarded by a sentry accompanied
by a dog.⁴

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8. The tents previously observed in the AA gun emplacement just east of the Stendal-Borstel road were removed and the operating personnel recently moved into the bunkers next to the emplacement. An electric line branched off from the main line along the road and extended into the emplacement. Another AA gun emplacement with two guns of a caliber of about 37-mm [redacted] was observed in the vicinity of Uenglingen southwest of the field.

9. [redacted]

1. [redacted] Comment. The cartridge case was for a 23-mm projectile. It is noteworthy that the manufacturing year of 1944 is pressed on the bottom of the cartridge case. It was believed so far that projectiles have a maximum time of storage of about 5 years.

2. [redacted] Comment. It is believed that the personnel of the AAA units which are assigned to the field are quartered in the barracks installation.

3. [redacted] Comment. According to available information, Stendal-Borstel airfield is occupied by a ground attack regiment and an air reconnaissance regiment, both of which are equipped with IL-10s. The present report confirms this occupation.

4. [redacted] Comment. The radio installation probably is a PKV-45 DF station.

5. [redacted] Comment. The two AA gun emplacements were confirmed [redacted] a third AA gun emplacement is located at the field. [redacted]

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